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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Patrick J. Kenny on
4 the occasion of his retirement as Fire Chief of the Village of
5 Hinsdale on January 4, 2008; and

6 WHEREAS, Patrick J. Kenny earned his associate's degree
7 from College of DuPage and his bachelor's degree from Loyola
8 University; he is a graduate of the Executive Fire Officer
9 program at the National Fire Academy; and

10 WHEREAS, Patrick J. Kenny has served the Illinois Fire
11 Service for over 25 years; he began his firefighting career
12 with the Village of Hinsdale in 1983; he was promoted to the
13 position of Fire Chief in 1994; and

14 WHEREAS, Patrick J. Kenny has been the recipient of many
15 awards in recognition of his fine work; he was the recipient of
16 the 2004 Fire Chief of the Year Award from the Illinois Fire
17 Chiefs Association; he is a current recipient of the Chief Fire
18 Officer Designation from the Center for Public Safety
19 Excellence; he was also a nominee for the Fire Chief of the
20 Year Award Career category for the International Fire Chiefs
21 Association; and

1 WHEREAS, Patrick J. Kenny has been active with many
2 firefighting and emergency preparedness organizations; he
3 served on the Illinois Terrorism Task Force from 2006 to 2007;
4 he serves as a Director for the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs
5 Association; he serves as an instructor for the Illinois Fire
6 Chiefs Association, the Illinois Fire Service Institute, and
7 Northwestern University; he is also a Past President of the
8 Illinois Fire Chiefs Association; and

9 WHEREAS, Following his retirement, Patrick J. Kenny will
10 serve as Director of Fire and Emergency Services of the Western
11 Springs Fire Department and as a paid-on-call Deputy Chief; and

12 WHEREAS, Patrick J. Kenny has developed an excellent
13 reputation throughout the State of Illinois for his work in
14 promoting professionalism, safety, and emergency operations
15 within the firefighting service; his leadership has resulted in
16 numerous station, service, and equipment improvements within
17 the Village of Hinsdale's fire service; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
20 congratulate Patrick J. Kenny on the occasion of his retirement
21 and wish him continued success and happiness in his future
22 endeavors; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to Patrick J. Kenny as a symbol of our esteem and
3 respect.